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**U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan General Scott Gration**  
**Transcript of Remarks to the Media**  
**Following a Meeting with Vice President Ali Osman Taha**  
**at the**  
**Presidential Palace, on February 21, 2010**

I would like just to give a short comment, as I do not really have time for questions because I am running to another meeting. I will just say that it is always a pleasure to be back in Sudan. It is wonderful to be able to meet with the people that I have gotten to know as the leadership but also as friends. I have just completed a meeting with Vice President [Ali Osman] Taha, where we reviewed the status of the progress between Chad and Sudan, efforts in Darfur to bring a lasting peace, and efforts to fully implement the Comprehensive Peace Agreement. We are very pleased with the progress that is being made on behalf of the government, and we will do our part to ensure that that progress results in a lasting peace for the people of Sudan. So thank you very much.

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